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SUBJECT: VISIT TO WASHINGTON OF VICE MINISTER OF COMMERCE

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1. AS INDICATED REFTEL, DIRECTOR SUPERIOR (VICE MINISTER) OF COMMERCE, JOSE NUNEZ DEL ARCO, WILL BE TRAVELING TO WASHINGTON MAY 10 AND WILL BE SEEKING APPOINTMENTS AT DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND AGRICULTURE WEEK OF MAY 13. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE WAS NEWLY CREATED ON JANUARY 1, 1974, AND THIS WILL BE FIRST VISIT TO U.S. BY SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE OF THIS MINISTRY. VICE MINISTER IS YOUNG MAN, NEW TO HIS JOB, AND WILL NEED HLEP IF HIS VISIT IS TO BE EFFECTIVE. QUITE ASIDE FROM THE OSTENSIBLE PURPOSE OF HIS TRIP, WE BELIEVE IT CAN SERVE A USEFUL EDUCATIVE PURPOSE. WE BELIEVE ANY ASSISTANCE THAT CAN BE EXTENDED TO HIM WOULD BE WELL RECEIVED AND WOULD PAY GOOD DIVIDENDS IN OUR FUTURE RELATIONS WITH THE MINISTRY IN GENERAL AND COMMERCE MINISTER BARANDIARAN IN PARTICULAR.

2. BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES AS FOLLOWS: NUNEZ DEL ARCO HAS HELD HIS PRESENT POSITION ONLY SINCE EARLY APRIL, HAVING BEEN BROUGHT TO COMMERCE FROM A RELATIVELY LOW RANKING POSITION AS HEAD OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE STATISTICAL DIVISION OF THE ANDEAN PACT. HIS ELEVATION

CAUSED SOME SURPRISE, BUT HE IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE FAIR-HAIRED
BOY OF MINISTER BARANDIARAN. IN HIS EARLY THIRTIES, NUNEZ DEL
ARCO STUDIED AT DUKE AND HARVARD AND IS MARRIED TO A CAROLINA
GIRL. PLACED IN CHARGE AT THE LAST MINUTE OF GOP PREPARATIONS
FOR THE VISIT OF AMBASSADOR EBERLE, HE WAS MOST HELPFUL AND
DESERVES SOME OF THE CREDIT FOR THE SUCCESS OF AMBASSADOR
EBERLE'S VISIT TO LIMA. NUNEZ DEL ARCO APPEARS WELL-DISPOSED
TOWARD THE U.S.
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